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1. The Peenemuende (N 55/P 83) airfield was observed from the western bank of the Peene River on 11 July 1950. Two silvery planes, presumably jet fighters, were at the field. The doors of three hangars were closed. (1) There was no flying during the day. The take-off of six jet fighters was heard at 12:45 a.m. on 11 July 1950. The planes headed toward the sea. (2)

2. Several residents of Zimnowitz (N 55/L 02) said that about 3,000 Soviets, commanded by a Soviet colonel were stationed at the field and that all Germans who had been employed at the field were dismissed about two weeks before. (3)

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4. The restricted area at Peenemuende started at the northeastern exit of Karlshagen where two air force soldiers were posted at a road block. Passers-by, such as farmers, wood cutters and wood drivers, had to hand in their identity cards when entering the off-limits area and other persons had to show a special pass. It was learned that the latter were employed in the barracks buildings. From various conversations it was assumed that all Germans would be given notice to leave by 15 July 1950. They had allegedly been ordered by circular letters to bring in their hay and timber from the restricted area until that date. In addition to the workers of the power plant only six resettlers were residing in Peenemuende. The restricted area was guarded by several patrols with watch-dogs.

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Comments.

- (1) Two fighter regiments and the headquarters of a fighter division are stationed in Peenemuende.
- (2) Night flying with jet planes was reported by another source in mid-June 1950.
- (3) The personnel strength cannot be judged. The statements that all Germans had been dismissed conflicts with the information of the same source that all Germans were given notice for 15 July 1950. The impression is that some Germans are still employed at the field but that they, too,

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